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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Joseph M. Berardi of Pekin, who passed away on March 25, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Berardi was born on January 10, 1923, in Pekin, to Peter and Lucia (Strada) Berardi; he married Henrietta "Penny" Woost on November 3, 1945, in Springfield; he later married Shirley (Eschmeyer) Ziebold on June 21, 2008, in Pekin; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Berardi served in the U.S. Army during World War II; he worked as a police officer in Pekin for 20 years before retiring; he was police chief in Minier and later worked for the State of Illinois, retiring in 1974; he was elected president of the Minier Village Board in 1984 and he served on the Tazwell County Board for 18 years; he and his wife owned and operated Peek-In-Ceramics; and

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WHEREAS, Joseph Berardi was a life member and served as past commander of the Roy L. King VFW Post 1232 in Pekin, was a life and 56-year member of Empire Masonic Lodge 126, AF&AM, a member of Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite-Valley of Peoria, and a 40-year member of Mohammed Temple, Shrine; he was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Pekin and an avid St. Louis

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2 WHEREAS, Joseph Berardi was preceded in death by his
3 parents; his first wife, Henrietta; his second wife, Shirley;
4 and his 2 brothers and 2 sisters; and

5 WHEREAS, Joseph Berardi is survived by his daughter, Karen
6 (John) Fisher; his sons, Richard (Gloria Gay) Berardi and Leo
7 (Karen) Berardi; his sister, Adele Trettenero; his 7
8 grandchildren; his 8 great-grandchildren; and one
9 great-great-granddaughter; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
12 Joseph Berardi, and we extend our sincere condolences to his
13 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it
14 further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the family of Joseph Berardi as an expression of
17 our deepest sympathy.